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INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHAD (Sponsor), JONES (117), SCHARNHORST, POLLOCK, FRANZ, STEVENSON, BIVINS, McGHEE, WELLS, WOOD, WALLACE, COX AND WILSON (130) (Co-sponsors).

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D. ADAM CRUMBLISS, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 104, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to retirement of state employees.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 104, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 104.1085, to read as follows:

104.1085. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, any person employed by an elected official or member of the general assembly whose employment is terminated because such elected official or member of the general assembly ceases to hold elective office shall be eligible to use his or her unused accumulated annual leave, up to a maximum of three hundred thirty-six hours, to extend his or her creditable service time so that he or she may become eligible for a retirement annuity or for a lump sum payment or payments as provided in section 104.625 or 104.1024. Each member shall be entitled to one-twenty-first of a month of creditable service for each eight hours of unused accumulated annual leave earned by the member with one hundred sixty-eight hours of unused accumulated annual leave equaling one-twelfth of a year of creditable

- service. For the purpose of calculating creditable service under this section, any unused
- accumulated annual leave balance totaling less than eight hours shall be credited as if it
- were eight hours. In no instance shall a member be credited with more than two-twelfth's
- 14 of a year of creditable service under this section.

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2. Any member retiring under the provisions of subsection 1 of this section shall be 15 16 entitled to retain any state-sponsored life or medical insurance as provided for in this 17 chapter.

3. Any agency, elected official, or member of the general assembly affected by an employee retiring under the provisions of this section shall be allowed to fill the position 20 using the original termination date determined prior to the addition of unused accumulated annual leave.